

Chapter Nine

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

The Purpose of the National Assessment of Educational Progress

The purpose of the *National Assessment of Educational Progress* (NAEP), also known as "The Nation's Report Card," is to determine performance for a selected sample of students within Indiana. NAEP is administered annually to students in grades 4, 8, and 12, and can be used to compare student performance across the United States and over time. Beginning in 2013-2014, the Technology and Engineering Literacy (TEL) assessment will be administered in conjunction with the NAEP assessment. Eighteen Indiana schools will be selected to participate in NAEP 2014.

Structure of NAEP for 2013-2014

Testing personnel should note the following regarding the administration of the 2014 NAEP Assessment:

1. During the 2013-2014 school year, the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) will be administered in Science, Geography, Civics, U.S. History, Technology and Engineering Literacy, Hand-On Tasks (HOTs) and Interactive Computer Tasks (ICTs). NAEP is conducted with representative student samples in grades 4, 8, and 12. Indiana law requires all accredited public and nonpublic schools to participate in NAEP assessments if selected by the U.S. Department of Education.
2. All 2014 NAEP assessments that are Technology and Engineering Literacy or Interactive Computer Tasks will be performed on NAEP laptops. NAEP field staff will provide laptops and the network for this 2014 administration, and NAEP will not need to use school computer labs or school computer networks.
3. All computer-based assessments will require a 30-student sample at each selected school.
4. Only students who are eligible for the ISTAR alternate assessment are exempt from NAEP; all other students are expected to participate.
5. All 2014 NAEP results will be reported at the national level.
6. The 2014 NAEP assessment will be administered by NAEP field staff during regular school hours. Indiana requests that selected schools have a staff member present during the test administration.
7. After the assessment is complete, NAEP field staff will deliver all data to Pearson for scoring.

Testing Accommodations

The 2014 NAEP assesses students with disabilities and English learners based on NAEP allowable accommodations.

NAEP Assessment Windows for 2013-2014

Window	Dates	Administration Type
NAEP (Grades 8, & 12)	January 27 – March 7, 2014	Paper-and-Pencil
NAEP- TEL Grades 8	January 27 – March 7, 2014	Online
NAEP-ICTs (Grade 4, 8, & 12)	March 17 – April 18, 2014	Online

Selected schools may contact the NAEP Help Desk (800-283-6237) or Indiana's NAEP State Coordinator (317-234-5600) for assistance.

For additional information, please access www.nationsreportcard.gov or <http://www.doe.in.gov/assessment/national-assessment-educational-progress-naep>.